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CAPULIN WILDFIRE BURNING IN BANDELIER NATIONAL MONUMENT

(SANTA FE, NM) - Superintendent Darlene M. Koontz reports the unknown-caused Capulin Fire located in the Bandelier Wilderness, approximately 23 miles west of Santa Fe. The 50 to 60 acre fire is actively burning in piñon/juniper and grass.

Due to the remoteness of the area and rough terrain, two Type I Hotshot crews are being flown into the fire by helicopters. Other resources and equipment on scene at this time include: Monument Fire personnel, a Single Engine Airtanker (SEAT), dropping retardant on the fire, and one Heavy Air Tanker.

For additional information on the Capulin Fire, please call 438-7831.

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